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For

: TABLE-MOUNTED BOWLING SCORING UNIT

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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

Copies of all but one of the listed documents were previously submitted or cited in a prior application, Serial No. 09/385,815, upon which Applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. §120. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. A copy of the only listed document (G 80 23 053) not previously submitted or cited in the prior application, is enclosed. The document appears to be directed to a control unit (see Fig. 3) that is rotatably coupled to a top surface of a table (see Figs. 1 and 2). Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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